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MUDA Chairman on inspection-spree

Visits eight Affordable Group Housing Project sites across city

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (RK&DM)- With the Mysuru Urban Development Authority's (MUDA) ambitious Affordable Group Housing Scheme in limbo for years due to various reasons and bottlenecks, new MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev went on an inspection-spree this morning. He visited all the sites where the Authority has planned to build houses under the Scheme.

MUDA, after conceptualising the idea of Affordable Group Housing Scheme, came up with a project in 2012 for building 2,000 housing clusters for distribution among the poor, needy and deserving at affordable prices. But the flagship project hit several roadblocks over the years.

The MUDA had planned to execute Group Housing projects at eight sites across the city — Dattagalli, R.T. Nagar, Vijayanagar Second Stage, Basavanahalli, Lalithadrinagar, J.P. Nagar, Hootagalli and Kergalli — all coming within the Ring Road periphery.

The MUDA has varying areas of land under its belt, ranging from half acre to more than four acres at these eight sites, which have been fenced. It had planned to construct eight to twelve floor buildings of House Clusters at these sites depending upon the area, with each structure to have a vehicle parking facility, a water treatment plant, a park and other civic amenities.

(See MUDA on page 7)

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Parks, playgrounds open

Public can visit Kukkarahalli, Karanji, Lingambudhi Lakes too

The gates of Kukkarahalli Lake frequented by walkers and joggers were opened for visitors today.

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (RK&BCT)- Continuing the Union Government's guidelines of opening up of public places including parks, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has issued an order to open all the parks and playgrounds with immediate effect.

In an order issued this morning, MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde has stated that all parks, playgrounds within the MCC limits will be open for public for walking and open gym activities. However, there will be restrictions on the walkers and gym activities.

(See PARKS on page 7)

Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	686
Total positive cases	:	22,080
Discharges yesterday	:	435
Total discharges	:	14,499
Deaths yesterday	:	5
Total deaths	:	503
Total active cases	:	7,078

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VIROFF
RANGE OF SANITIZERS AND HANDWASH
BREAK THE COVID-19 CHAIN

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 7th September 2020

SSLC revaluation: City student tops District, 2nd in State

Spoorthi

Mysuru, Sept.7- Spoorthi Y. Agnihothri of Marimallappa's High School has emerged as District topper and one of the second toppers for the State in the SSLC examination after revaluation.

Now she has secured 624 marks out of 625. Earlier, Spoorthi had obtained 618 marks. As she was confident of getting more marks, she applied for revaluation of answer scripts, which resulted in her getting 6 more marks.

It may be mentioned here that three students — N.R. Preksha of Ideal Jawa Rotary School, Manu of Vijaya Vittala and Gaurav Chandan of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala — were District toppers by securing 623 out of 625.

Three Government Colleges handed over to two Varsities

Dr. Ashwathnarayan

Bengaluru, Sept.7- Deputy Chief Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan, who is also the Higher Education Minister, said that three Government First Grade Colleges which are facing shortage of students, have been handed over to their nearest Universities.

Speaking to presspersons here on Saturday, Dr. Ashwathnarayan said that First Grade Colleges at Hethur in Sakleshpur taluk of Hassan District and at Terakanambi in Gundlupet taluk of Chamarajanagar District will be handed over to University of Mysore (UoM), while the one at Turuvanur in Challakere taluk of Chitradurga District will be handed over to Davangere University. The respective Universities will start such courses which have local demand at the buildings of the Colleges, he said.

Pointing out that the furniture, land and buildings of the three Colleges have been handed over to the respective University, he clarified that, however, UoM and Davangere Universities will not have the power to sell, share or lease the land or buildings. But the staff of these Colleges will be deputed to other Colleges nearest to their location, he added.

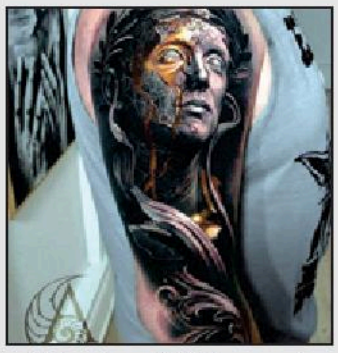
EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

DRUG SCANDAL: *A recent revelation by actor, director and producer Indrajit Lankesh that many in Kannada film industry were involved in the drug row has only come in handy for the City Crime Bureau (CCB), which is investigating the case, to conveniently shift the spotlight on sandalwood while ignoring other big names, at least for now. The undue delay in acting against VIP kids may be seen as a deliberate attempt by the Police to help them cover their tracks and destroy evidence. Despite the high voltage drama, the CCB inquiry as it stands today does not inspire any great confidence. Sandeep Patil, who heads the CCB, had launched a war against the drug mafia when he was the Mangaluru Police Commissioner and knows exactly how the whole apparatus operates. Any further delay in apprehending the big names involved, especially the children of politicians, will only be conclusive proof that the Police are more interested in a cover-up rather than in blowing the lid off the scandal.*

— *In Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Exquisite surrealist tattoos of Arlo DiCristina



Colorado: DiCristina, who goes by @ArloTattoos on social media is gaining a lot of online attention for his surrealism and face morph tattoos.

He has been practicing tattooing since he was a teenager, and now runs his own tattoo shop, Elysium Studios, in Grand Junction, Colorado. He rose to fame a few years ago, when one of his projects, a portrait of iconic Batman villain, Joker, with his face interwoven into a skyline of Gotham City, went viral on social media, gaining praise from both tattoo enthusiasts as well as other inking masters.

The name Arlo DiCristina has been linked to surrealist and face morph tattoos ever since and he has accepted the association as a badge of honor, specializing in the the two tattooing styles.

Non-alcoholic 'Dog Brew' quickly sells out

Missouri: Beer giant Anheuser-Busch announced it quickly sold out of its latest offering: a "Dog Brew" that contains no alcohol and is designed to be enjoyed by man's best friend.

The brewing company said Dog Brew is a bone broth made from pork, corn, celery, mint, turmeric and ginger, ingredients designed to appeal to the tastes and nutritional needs of dogs.

"Bone broth is for dogs who struggle to eat solid food for extra nutrients. Your best friend is going to love it. We're pawsitive," the company said.

The product, offered for order online, quickly sold out, but the company said interested customers are being put on a waiting list while more product is produced.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Does drinking soda increase my risk of diabetes?

European studies have revealed that consuming just one soda per day increases the risk of diabetes by 29 percent. Diabetes risk increases 11-fold for every 150 calories consumed in the form of soda.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	230
Total positive cases	:	6,776
Total discharges	:	4,482
Total deaths	:	71
Total active cases	:	2,223

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	41
Total positive cases	:	2,653
Total discharges	:	2,184
Total deaths	:	42
Total active cases	:	416

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	38
Total positive cases	:	1,702
Total discharges	:	1,357
Total deaths	:	22
Total active cases	:	323

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	324
Total positive cases	:	10,066
Total discharges	:	6,558
Total deaths	:	207
Total active cases	:	3,301

Really...?

- ***Most people think that cows have four stomachs. That's actually not true. They have just one stomach with four chambers — rumen, reticulum, omasum and abomasum. This allows them to digest tough plant matter that would normally be indigestible.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Doctor: *Your case is quite complicated.*

Patient: *Why doctor? What happened?*

Doctor: *You got a disease from the chapter which I left as optional during my studies !!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.14
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 96.74
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.91
1 Euro	= Rs. 86.57

VOICE OF THE READER

Health hazard in Gokulam 3rd Stage

Sir,

There is a vacant site measuring a few acres in Gokulam 3rd Stage behind the recently built amphitheatre and 4th Main Road lying vacant since the Layout was formed 50 years ago.

Apart from some wild vegetation which has grown there, it has become a 'Dumping Yard' of the Mysuru City Corporation and other vehicles for the garbage, particularly the dry wastes like plastic materials.

Frequently in an attempt to dispose of it, they put fire which emanates clouds of foul smelling and toxic smoke engulfing the surrounding houses. Whenever this happens, we have to call the area Corporator S.B.M. Manju. We should appreciate him for taking prompt and immediate action every time.

Worst happened on the evening of Aug.29 when a large area was burning. Manju had to call the Fire Brigade to douse the fire as seen in the picture. They could not do it completely as the smoke was still emanating the next morning also.

This issue of health hazard has been brought to the notice of the Corporation authorities earlier also (on 1.8.2019). This being the COVID time, the citizens, particularly the seniors, are affected badly.

May I request the present MCC Commissioner to step in and take necessary action to stop dumping the garbage in the area mentioned and prevent the health hazard.

— Dr. C.G. Narasimhan
Gokulam
30.8.2020

Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR) initiative

JSS Science and Technology University signs MoU with NHAI

- Adopts section of NH 275 from Mysuru to Madikeri; To make Highways better on voluntary basis

*Seen are (from left) **Dr. P. Nanjundaswamy, Professor in Civil Engineering, Prof. S.B. Kivade, Principal, V.T. Sridhara, Project Director, Project Implementation Unit of NHAI, Dr. S.A. Dhanaraj, Registrar, Dr. N. Haraprasad, Deputy Registrar and Dr. C. Nataraju, HoD, Civil Engineering at JSS STU, during the exchange of MoU.***

Mysuru, Sept. 7- JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU) and National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on working together with mutual co-operation for sharing of respective expertise in Highway Engineering field through the road infrastructure development.

As per the MoU, JSS STU adopted a section of National Highway NH 275 — from Mysuru to Madikeri — and agreed to help NHAI make its Highways better on a voluntary basis under ambit of Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR).

In its endeavour to build a world class National Highway (NH) network, NHAI has approached all IITs, NITs and reputed Engineering Colleges to collaborate and adopt nearby stretches of National Highways on voluntary basis. The move will leverage the intellect of students and faculty towards improvement of the road infrastructure ecosystem.

Since the institutions have better appreciation of local requirement, topography and resource potential, their vital inputs can be utilised by NHAI during different stages of pre-construction, construction and operation of NH stretches. This will help in mitigating routine local problems such as traffic movement, congestion, immediate identification of accident-prone sites, etc.

This initiative by NHAI provides opportunity for students in hands-on-learning, internship and a sense of contribution in building local infrastructure. The University faculty gets exposed to practical problems for their research, including access to data. The Varsity derives utility through enhancing user experience and leveraging resources of NHAI for further academic advancement. The National Highway stretch adopted will be co-branded with JSS STU by NHAI, according to a press release from Dr. M. Pradeep, Training and Placement Officer at JSS Science & Technology University (SJCE), Mysuru.

Govt. allows Private Schools to collect fees

Bengaluru, Sept.7- Bowing to the persistent demands of private educational institutions, the State Government has allowed Private Schools to collect first instalment fees from students for the academic year 2020-21.

Badly affected by the outbreak of the deadly COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent nationwide lockdown, private educational institutions, which faced severe financial crunch due to loss of revenues, were demanding that the Government allow them to collect fees from students to stave off financial crisis.

With Government not allowing them to collect fees and also not releasing funds under Right To Education (RTE) grants, apart from announcing several detrimental measures, Private Schools under the banner of Associated Management of Primary and Secondary Schools in Karnataka (KAMS), had observed a Black Day on Saturday and also staged a demonstration against the Government at Shikshakara Sadana in Bengaluru.

Primary and Secondary Education Minister S.Suresh Kumar, responding to the demands of Private School Managements, issued an order allowing them to make student admissions and to collect first instalment fees from parents for the coming academic year (2020-21), while setting out certain conditions. The main condition is that the School Managements must compulsorily pay salaries to all staff and must also ensure that there are no complaints in this regard.

New team of D. Devaraj Urs Road Shop Owners and Tenants Assn.

Veerabhadra *Khaja* *Mahendra* *Nartan* *Abdul Qadir*

Mysuru, Sept.7- The meeting of D. Devaraj Urs Road Shop Owners and Tenants Association, Mysuru, was held yesterday at a hotel in city. More than 86 members attended.

Many problems faced by the shop owners and tenants like parking, security, toilet facility etc., were discussed at the meeting chaired by Veerabhadra. Membership fee and sales promotion were also discussed at the meeting.

The new office-bearers of the Association along with two representatives from each block of Devaraj Urs Road, are as follows:

Veerabhadra - Mysore Tarpaulin: President; Khaja - Badsha Group: Vice-President; Mahendra - Footline: Secretary; Nartan - Cadabams: Treasurer and Abdul Qadir - Engineering Tools: Joint Secretary.

Nagesh briefed the activities of the Association. Mahendra welcomed. Mazaffer hosted the meeting and Anish proposed a vote of thanks, according to a press release from Mahendra Jain [Mob: 94487 - 21138].

NEWS BRIEFS

Talk on Astronomy

Capt. Anil Kumar Singru

Mysore Astronomical Society (MAS), Mysuru, in association with Gravity Science Foundation (affiliated to VIPNET), Chamarajanagar, has organised a webinar on 'Basics of Amateur Astronomy and Star Gazing' on Sept. 12 at 6.30 pm. The resource person is Capt. Anil Kumar Singru, an amateur astronomer and astrophotographer. He is the Advisor, International Defence Co-operation, Ministry of Defence. The webinar shall be conducted through Google Meet. It is open for all. No registration fee. However, the participants should register initially and all registered attendees will get an e-certificate. Interested may contact Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna, Convener, Mysore Astronomical Society, on Mob: 96323-76757 or Prof. A.S. Abhishek, Founder-Secretary, Gravity Science Foundation, Chamarajanagar, on Mob: 97420-65065 and Student Coordinator V. Vaishnavi Srivatsa on Mob: 96327-48875.

New BCM Officers take charge

Chandrakala

Swarnalatha

Chandrakala Parashuram took charge as Mysuru Taluk Backward Classes and Minorities (BCM) Welfare Officer here recently. In another appointment, Swarnalatha took charge as Nanjangud Taluk BCM Welfare Officer at Nanjangud recently. Both had previously served as the Wardens of several Backward Classes Hostels in Mysuru district, according to a press release.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	124.24 ft
Yesterday	124.25 ft
Inflow	4,219 cusecs
Outflow	4,171 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,282.66 ft
Inflow	2,972 cusecs
Outflow	2,125 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,856.51 ft
Inflow	1,071 cusecs
Outflow	1,000 cusecs

Nine arrested in Kodagu for trying to sell liquid metal Mercury

8 kg Mercury, swords, daggers, knife, iron rods, chilli powder, seized

Virajpet (Kodagu), Sept. 7 (KS)- Virajpet Town Police have arrested nine persons who were trying to sell liquid metal Mercury and have seized 8kg Mercury, chilli powder, swords, daggers, knives and iron roads from them.

The arrested are 35-year-old D.H. Vadiraj of Brindavan Layout in Mysuru, 34-year-old V. Narayana Swamy and 33-year-old K.V. Suresh of Kanakapura in Ramanagar district, 28-year-old John Paul of Kothanur in Bengaluru, 28-year-old Gnanendra Prasad of Vidyaranyapura in Bengaluru, 20-year-old K.V. Abhinav, an Engineering student at a college in Kannur in Kerala, 32-year-old C. Suresh of Hosur in Tamil Nadu, 22-year-old J. Vaishnav of Calicut in Kerala and cable operator 45-year-old K. Purushotham.

Cases have been registered against them under IPC Section 399 and 402.

They were produced before a Magistrate yesterday, who remanded them to judicial custody.

Details: Following a tip off about the presence of unidentified persons in two cars near Lakshmi Hotel on Virajpet-Kerala Road at about 5 am yesterday, Virajpet Town Inspector Bojappa and staff rushed to the spot.

On seeing the Police vehicle, the unidentified persons hurriedly sat in the cars and left the place. Sensing something fishy, the Police chased the two cars and were successful in stopping them.

The Police, who inspected the cars, found nine persons travelling in the two cars and on further inspecting the cars, the Police found 8 kg Mercury, three iron rods, chilli powder packets, one knife, one machete and two swords, which they seized from them.

Inspector Bojappa has suspected that there may be a huge racket in which the gang members were involved and arrested them besides producing them before a Magistrate who remanded them to 15 days judicial custody.

All the nine accused were subjected to medical tests out of which one of them has tested positive for COVID-19.

He has been admitted to the COVID Hospital in Madikeri while the remaining eight accused have been shifted to the Central Prisons at Madikeri.

Virajpet Dy.SP Jayakumar supervised Inspector Bojappa and staff N.C. Lokesh, Musthafa, Santosh, Girish, Madhu, Muneer, Rajan, Lohit, Mallikarjuna and Yogesh in the nabbing and seizing operation.

Rider killed as truck rams into bike

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (SBD&KS)- A two-wheeler rider was killed on the spot when a truck rammed into the bike he was riding on Gaddige-Alanahalli Road, near Gaddige in H.D. Kote taluk last evening.

The deceased is Basavaraju (45), son of Sannamadaiah of Kothegala village in the taluk.

Deceased Basavaraju was proceeding from his village towards Kyathanahhli on his bike (KA-45-R-6936), when a speeding truck (KA-17-B-7127) collided head-on with his bike on Gaddige-Alanahalli Road resulting in Basavaraju suffering severe head injuries and breathing his last on the spot.

H.D. Kote Circle Inspector Puttaswamy, SI Mahadeva Nayak and staff, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar, shifted the body to the Taluk Hospital mortuary, besides registered a case.

Mandya double murder case

Murder informer turns killer, arrested

Mandya, Sept. 7 (Nagaiah &KS)- Mandya Rural Police have cracked the double murder case that took place on the night of Sept. 3 at a brick kiln at Yeliyur village in Mandya taluk by arresting the killer.

The killer was none other than the person who had informed about the double murder to the Police and the locals. The double murder had taken place at Marithu Bricks, a brick kiln near Yeliyur and Kalenahalli in the taluk.

The arrested is 50-year-old Ramesh, a native of Kodihalli village in Chikkamagalur, who was also working at the brick kiln along with the victims.

Mandya Rural Police Sub-Inspector Siddaraju, who had registered a case, took Ramesh into custody for enquiry and during interrogation, Ramesh is said to have confessed of murdering Basavaraju (44), a resident of Tagadawadi in Srirangapatna taluk and Ramamurthy (46), a resident of Maralakunte village in Nelamangala taluk with an iron crowbar, when the victims were sleeping after consuming liquor.

He is also said to have told the Police that the victims were harassing him every time they consumed liquor and fed up with their harassment, he killed them.

Ramesh was produced before a Court, which remanded him to judicial custody.

Union Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan bereaved

Snehlata Devi

New Delhi, Sept. 7- Union Health and Science Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan's mother Snehlata Devi passed away yesterday following a cardiac arrest. She was 89.

Though she was rushed to All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) after she collapsed suddenly, she could not be revived and breathed her last at 8.50 am.

Since his mother's advanced age made her unfit for donating other organs, Dr. Harsh Vardhan donated her body to Maulana Azad Medical College (MAMC) for scientific research.

"Her body donation would keep inspiring us to live for the society," he said in a tweet in Hindi.

Sri Kesavananda Bharati Swamiji passes away

Sri Kesavananda Bharati Swamiji

New Delhi, Sept. 7- Sri Kesavananda Bharati Swamiji, pontiff of Edneer Mutt at Kasaragod district in Kerala State, passed away yesterday. He was 80.

Kesavananda Bharati Swamiji was the sole unwitting petitioner in the historic Fundamental Rights case, which prevented the nation from slipping into a totalitarian regime.

Soon after completion of his 60 Chaturmasya programme in the Mutt on Sept. 1, the Seer was admitted for a couple of days at a private hospital in Mangaluru after he had cardiac and breathing problems.

On Saturday evening, he performed *puja* at the Mutt and slept after having some fruits, but passed away on Sunday morning. Last rites of the Swamiji were performed at the Mutt's premises in the presence of a large number of devotees yesterday.

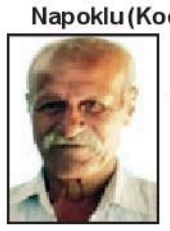
Obituary

M.M. Chandy

Mysuru, Sept. 7 - M.M. Chandy (Raju), a resident of Ashram Road in Jayalakshmipuram, passed away yesterday at a private hospital in Kochi in Kerala following brief illness. He was 77.

He leaves behind his wife Bibi Chandy, two daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral will be held tomorrow in city.

Kanganda Appanna



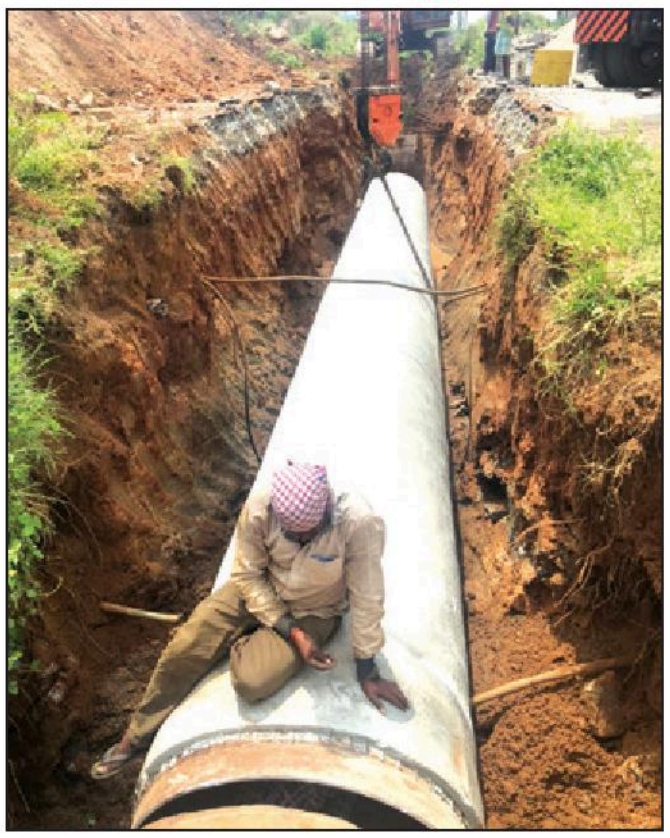
Napoklu (Kodagu): Kanganda Appanna (Appaji), an ex-serviceman and a resident of Napoklu, passed away at the Command Hospital in Bengaluru following brief illness. He was 69.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held today at Napoklu, according to sources.

20-metre pipeline laid from Hongalli via Belagola

Now water can be supplied from KRS Dam to Central Service Reservoir at Vijayanagar Second Stage



Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha seen inspecting the pipeline-laying works at Belagola yesterday. The pipeline was laid after the MP assured the villagers of Belagola on Sept. 3 that they will get their share of drinking water.

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (PM&BCT)- The 20-metre pipeline laying works to supply drinking water from Hongalli Pumping Station to Central Service Reservoir at Vijayanagar Second Stage has been completed with the intervention of Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha.

The MP who had visited the project site on Sept. 3 had convinced the villagers of Belagola to allow the completion of the pipeline works. He had assured the villagers who had objected to the pipeline-laying works that their demand for their share of water will be fulfilled.

Following the assurance, the villagers relented and permitted the completion of the works. Now the pipeline has been laid and the works were completed yesterday.

As per the demand of the Belagola villagers, a provision of water supply to their village has been made by altering the pipeline works a bit. Now as the water is being supplied to Vijayanagar Central Service Reservoir from Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam regularly, Belagola villagers too will get their share of water.

The project has been taken up under the funds that have been released by the Centre under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme. Rs. 156 crore (with contributions from State and Mysuru City Corporation - MCC) has been released by the Centre and works are being taken up in four packages.

Mysuru City Corporation, Directorate of Municipal Administration, Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board (KUWS&DB) and Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW) are jointly implementing the mega project.

The Central Service Reservoir has been constructed under the first package of AMRUT Scheme and can store up to 2 crore 70 lakh litres of water — a first in the State. Yesterday, Pratap Simha visited the pipeline-laying works and thanked the villagers for obliging to his request and letting the project to be completed.

Officials blamed for project delay

Meanwhile, officers have been blamed for the inordinate delay in the implementation and execution of AMRUT project. Addressing a press conference in city yesterday, former Mayor Purushotham and retired Superintending Engineer of VVWW Nagaraja Murthy alleged that the inefficiency and delaying tactics of the officials have delayed the project, robbing Mysureans of their rightful share of drinking water.

They said that the AMRUT Scheme was approved way back in 2016 and the Package 2 of the project worth Rs. 102 crore was handed over to a Hyderabad-based company. As per the project terms and conditions, it was supposed to be completed in August 2019 as the works began in February 2017.

Loss to Government

"Officials from Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board have neglected the project implementation. As the project has been delayed and according to the terms and conditions of the contract, a 10 percent liquid damage can be imposed on the company that will force the company to shell out Rs. 11 crore to the Government. But the officials just imposed a fine of Rs. 1 crore and caused loss to the Government," they said.

The officials have colluded with the Hyderabad-based company to cause a loss to the Government. "All the officials involved are liable for penal action as they have violated the established rules and regulations," they said.

Information hidden from MP

Both Purushotham and Nagaraja Murthy alleged that when MP Pratap Simha visited the Hongalli Pumping Station and places where AMRUT Scheme is being implemented, officials hid the facts from the MP and did not show him the real picture.

The officials suppressed information about supplying drinking water by showing the MP only the filter bed at Hongalli but did not inform him about impure drinking water being supplied without subjecting the water to backwash process to clean impurities, they alleged.

They also alleged that the AMRUT Scheme is implemented in a shoddy manner without complying with the set standards. "It is surprising that the officials, who could not complete the project since about four years, have assured the MP that they would complete the project within 40 days," they said demanding action against officials for delaying the project, colluding with the implementing company and also for causing loss to the State Government.

TEASER By N. Prakash

Sqn.Ldr. A.B. Devayya's statue unveiled at Madikeri

Air Marshal (Retd.) K.C. Nanda Cariappa seen unveiling the bronze statue of Squadron Leader A.B. Devayya at Old Private Bus Stand Circle in Madikeri this morning to mark the War Hero's 55th Death Anniversary. Picture right shows ex-Sergeant Deranna Gowda from Sullia, a retired Non-Commissioned Officer, who was present when A.B. Devayya was seen off on Sept. 7, 1965, saluting the statue of the War Hero.

Madikeri, Sept. 7 (PS&BCT)- The bronze statue of Squadron Leader Ajjamada Bopayya Devayya was unveiled at Madikeri in Kodagu district this morning. The 6-feet-9-inch statue has been installed at the Old Private Bus Stand Circle and was unveiled by Air Marshal (Retd.) Kodandera C. Nanda Cariappa today, the day Devayya was martyred 55 years ago. The Circle will henceforth be officially called Squadron Leader Ajjamada B. Devayya Circle.

Squadron Leader A.B. Devayya is the only Indian Air Force (IAF) Officer to be posthumously awarded the Maha Vir Chakra (MVC). During the 1965 India-Pakistan War, Devayya (called 'Wings of Fire') was part of a strike mission (on the Pakistani Airbase Sargodha). During the war, Devayya shot down a US-made PAF (Pakistan Air Force) F-104 Starfighter on Sept. 7, 1965 while flying an inferior Mystere of French make.

The bronze statue weighs 600 kg and Rs. 20 lakh has been spent on getting the statue carved at Kengeri near Bengaluru. Devayya's wife Sundari and daughter Preeth were present during the statue inauguration this morning. Also, ex-Sergeant Deranna Gowda from Sullia, a retired Non-Commissioned Officer, who was present when Devayya was seen off on Sept. 7, 1965 before Devayya took off to the skies, was among the dignitaries.

Ex-Sergeant Deranna Gowda, who handed over a pistol to A.B. Devayya, shares his experience

Sharing his experiences, ex-Sergeant Deranna Gowda said, "When Fourth Pakistani Air Force started bombarding the Jalandhar Air Base, Devayya came to the Armoury to collect his weapons to fight the enemy, I handed him a pistol and strapped the weapon around him. Kudupaje Bhojappa was also present. Later, Devayya sat on Mystere aircraft and took off to the skies."

Addressing the gathering, Air Marshal Nanda Cariappa, who himself is a war veteran and son of Field Marshal K. M. Cariappa, said that it was a matter of pride for Kodagu as Squadron Leader A.B. Devayya and Major Puttichanda Somaiah Ganapathy (later promoted as Lieutenant Colonel) received the honour of Maha Vir Chakra, next only to the supreme Defence award Param Vir Chakra.

While Devayya received the honour for shooting down a Pakistani plane and martyring for the cause of the Nation, Puttichanda Ganapathy was awarded Maha Vir Chakra for his combat role in 1987 Operation Pawan in Sri Lanka (launched by Indian Peace Keeping Force) against the LTTE.

MLC Veena Achaiah, Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Annies Kanmani Joy, Superintendent of Police Kshama Mishra, Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa and General Thimayya Forum President Col. (Retd.) Kandrathanda Subbaiah, Convener Major (Retd.) Biddanda Nanjappa, Kodava Makkada Koota President Bollajira Aiyappa, Ajjamada family President Ajjamada Lava Kushalappa, Squadron Leader Ajjamada Devayya Memorial Trust members and President of Mysuru-based VeKare Ex-Servicemen Trust Mandetira N. Subramani were present on the occasion.

Rangayana launches digital theatre series of Kuvempu's 'Bommanahalliya Kindarijogi'

Children of Arivu School symbolically launched the digital theatre series (Vaachikabhinaya) of Kuvempu's 'Bommanahalliya Kindarijogi,' directed by B.V. Karanth and brought out by Rangayana, Mysuru, at Bhoomigeeta in Rangayana premises this morning. Retired Rangayana artiste Santhosh, dressed as 'Kindarijogi' caught the attention of the children. The 20-minute three-episode series will be available on Rangayana website (www.rangayana.org), YouTube and Facebook at 6.30 pm daily from today (Sept. 7) to Sept.9. Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa, Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy and others were present during the launch.

Using mobile phones during Bandipur safaris banned

Decision taken to prevent safari-goers from disturbing wild animals on the pretext of taking photos

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (BCT)- Carrying mobile phones during wild safari inside Bandipur Tiger Reserve has been banned to prevent disturbance to wild animals. The Tiger Reserve has been opened now after over three months of closure owing to COVID-19.

According to officials, tourists create chaos when they go on a safari by speaking loudly over the phone which disturbs the animals. Also, many instances were reported where tourists and the safari drivers make calls to other vehicles after spotting the animals, making them visit the spot and thereby disturb the animals.

From now on, tourists and drivers should hand over their cellphones to the Forest Department personnel at the designated mobile phone deposit counters before going to the safari. However, there is no restriction in the use of cameras as a separate fee has to be paid while purchasing safari tickets. The prices depend on the size of the camera lenses.

Conservator of Forest and Field Director of Bandipur Project Tiger T. Balachandra has made it clear that if anyone is found to be violating the rules, their mobile phones will be seized and a fine will be imposed. "Safari-goers are requested not to carry their mobile phones during safaris. A fine of Rs. 100 will be imposed on tourists who are caught violating the rules. Safaris inside the core areas of forest have to be observed silently. It is often seen that tourists flash torchlight or scream while taking videos which actually disturb the wildlife," he said.

It is said that, recently in one of the safari vehicles the visitors had spotted a tiger and their shouts and screams disturbed the feline. Wildlife lovers had complained to the Director, who convened a meeting of drivers and the Tiger Reserve officials and directed them to ban the use of mobile phones during safaris.

Minister Javadekar, NTCA lauds Nagarahole officials for nabbing tiger poachers

Prakash Javadekar @PrakashJav... · 4h
Well done 👍, Forest staff & officers of Nagarhole Tiger Reserve for nabbing all the culprits responsible for poaching the Tiger, in such quick time.
@moefcc

National Tiger Conservation A... · 13h
Kudos to the efforts and perseverance of Forest staff & officers of Nagarhole Tiger Reserve ; culprits responsible for poaching tiger, brought to book.
@PrakashJavdekar @SuPriyoBabul @m...

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (BCT)- Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Prakash Javadekar has appreciated the authorities at Nagarahole Tiger Reserve for arresting all poachers who had killed an adult male tiger and had cut off its paws and also stole its canines. Even the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has lauded the forest officials.

Tweeting their appreciation, Javadekar and NTCA authorities said that the poachers were identified and arrested in such a short span of time. The efforts and perseverance of the officials must be appreciated, they said.

It may be recalled that recently, five poachers who had shot down the five-year-old male tiger and mutilated it for its claws and canines were arrested the five men — Santosh, Shashi, Sharanu, Ranju and Raj, all residents of Nittur village near Balele in South Kodagu – were arrested after Rana, the German Shepherd sniffer dog of Bandipur Tiger Reserve, sniffed them out from their houses.

The sleuths had recovered 13 claws and two canines, along with 1.5 kg of deer meat, two bikes, double barrel guns, gun powder, ammunition and poaching tools from the accused. However, the accused claim that when they shot the tiger, it was already dead and had started to stink.

Forest officials said that this was the first time in the recent past that they have caught all the poachers in a short period of time. Such an exercise would usually take around a year and the body parts would have changed hands many times.

MUDA Chairman on inspection-spree

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MUDA had also prepared a Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the project for vertical construction of single bedroom, double bedroom and three-bed room houses.

With Affordable Group Housing Project gaining much demand in recent days due to paucity of space with the city growing faster, the MUDA launched a 'Demand Survey' in 2016 when Mahesh was the MUDA Commissioner.

The Survey received tremendous response with hundreds of people lining up every day in front of MUDA Office on JLB Road for submitting their applications. Later, MUDA wrote to the Government seeking to set out guidelines for allotment of Houses to be constructed under the project. However, the project was hit by delays and other roadblocks and subsequently, the project went into limbo.

Now, the new MUDA Chairman, in a bid to give a fresh start for the much sought after Housing Project, visited all the eight sites this morning.

Rajeev told *Star of Mysore* that the entire plan and project will undergo an overhaul in keeping with the latest requirements and a new blueprint and cost estimate will be prepared soon.

Pointing out that the project will be planned and designed suitably in accordance with the area of land available at the respective sites, he said that he will give fresh push for the execution of the project, which will greatly help in easing the pressure on housing needs of the city. The cost factor, which plays a key role in the Affordable Housing Scheme, too will be taken into account while preparing the estimate, he added.

MUDA Superintending Engineer Shankar, Executive Engineers Suvarna and Prabhakar and other officials accompanied the MUDA Chairman.

Second PUC supplementary exam begins

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (RK&DM)- The second PUC Supplementary exam (2019-20) began at 12 centres across the district today, with all COVID-19 precautionary and safety measures in place. In city, there are three centres — Maharani's PU College on N.S. Road, Maharaja's College on JLB Road and D. Banumaiah's College on Sayyaji Rao Road.

On the first day today, Sanskrit and Urdu papers were held in the morning session (10.15 am to 1.30 pm) and NSQF and Home Science subjects in the afternoon session (2.15 pm to 5.30 pm). Only a total of 12 students had registered for Sanskrit and Urdu papers at the city centres, out of which 11 appeared for the exam, according to DDPUE Geetha.

The exam, which is taking place in two shifts, morning and afternoon, will conclude on Sept.18.

The City Police has clamped prohibitory orders under Section 144 of Cr.PC in 200 mts radius around all the three exam centres from 6 am to 6 pm on all days of the supplementary exam, which concludes on Sept.18. Accordingly, all photocopy shops in the vicinity of the exam centres have been asked to shut down.

Parks, playgrounds

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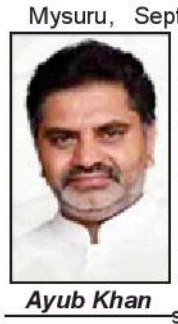
They will not be allowed to socialise without maintaining physical distancing.

People who do not wear masks will not be allowed inside parks and sanitisation is a must while entering the parks. Security personnel and park keepers will be given the responsibility of ensuring that all the necessary steps are followed while allowing crowds, officials said.

Due to the COVID-19, MCC had earlier issued an order banning the entry of people into public places to parks and playgrounds. Even walking on the banks of Kukkarahalli Lake, Lingambudhi Lake and around Karanji Lake was banned. Use of open gym equipment and children's playing items was also banned. However, in the absence of parks and open spaces, residents and regular walkers were forced to walk on the main roads and other roads, risking their lives. Some of the parks deep inside residential layouts were, however, opened earlier and there was space for walking. Now all parks have been opened albeit with restrictions.

Replace defunct streetlights: Former Mayor Ayub Khan



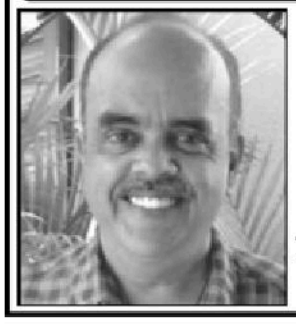
Ayub Khan

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (RK&SD)- Former Mayor and Corporator Ayub Khan has urged Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) officials and elected representatives to replace defunct streetlights in city. The demand comes in the wake of Dasara High Power Committee meeting that will be held in Bengaluru tomorrow, chaired by Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Ayub Khan said, "Defunct streetlights in most of the residential areas and main roads connecting these areas have not been replaced. As they have remained defunct, thousands of people commuting along these roads are facing a lot of difficulties," he said.

"Three years ago, the MCC had planned to replace defunct and incandescent bulb on streetlights with more reliable LED bulbs. But this project is still on paper and has not materialised. I would like to urge all elected representatives and officials to speak to the Chief Minister on the issue during the High Power Committee meeting tomorrow," he added.

SAD DEMISE



We regret to inform the sad demise of

Sri. Shantharam Pai

Prop. GANESH & Co., D.D. Urs Road

05.12.1964 - 06.09.2020

– Wife : Asha S. Pai, Son : Ganesh S. Pai, Family Members & Staff Members

Vaastu-Feng Shui & Bio-energetics

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Energy influence

One of the most common practices to ensure absorption of bad energy is to place a small glass bowl filled with water and put a drop of fresh green lemon into it. Placing this close to the main door entry will mitigate bad energy entering your main door and home.

A space which has complied with the tenets of Feng Shui is a space where all the objects are in perfect harmony to each other whether we talk about the Feng Shui elements contained in them or the particular colours that have been used to enhance the space and in turn create the serene feel of spirituality.

The Feng Shui is about balancing energies, of animate with inanimate and that of the soul with that of the universe, so that you get the positive energies of the universe flowing through the entire spaces in your house.

Understanding the energy fields surrounding us, and how these have an impact on us can make an immense difference to our lives. In this regard, it may be useful to understand the strong relationship that our earth energies, the earth's magnetic field, or magnetism and the ancient Indian science of Vastu have with each other, which not only influence each other but also our selves.

Feng Shui has been used in the home to improve such things as wealth and careers, find new partners, start families, help children to study, improve family harmony and later in life to support and improve our health so that we can enjoy the wealth which we've accumulated over the years. In short, Feng Shui at home can be used to influence just about every aspect of our lives.

A home or business has interior factors and exterior factors that influence you and your mood. Shape of the house, floor plan, positions of bedrooms, kitchens, bathrooms, desks, have an unseen psychological effect on you. History of the house, electro-magnetic energies emitted by electrical connections and cable, telephone, satellite dishes can have either positive or negative effects on you depending upon the sort of person you are. Similarly, beams, lights, plants, water and influences of people surrounding you also have some role to play.

It doesn't take much to revitalise the energy of your home with good Feng Shui just a little bit of inspiration and a touch of sensitivity. Through materials, texture and colours, we can change the energy of any space to one that exuberates vibrancy and inspiration. In Feng Shui, each area and corner of the house relates to some aspect and aspirations of you and your life.

• The facets of crystal and cut glass are especially potent when combined with light. Raw amethyst, quartz or other natural crystals will be extremely harmonious in the southwest sector to strengthen marital harmony and romance luck.

• In case you are experiencing negative vibes in your home with your family members, and your relationships have been affected, then wipe the floor with salt water for seven days and place a small bowl of crystal salt to absorb bad vibes which will prevent your aura from getting affected.

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City skater sizzles on International Ice Rinks

By Y.D. Shekar

Mysuru, Sept. 7- A Mysuru lad is making a mark in Ice Skating in international arena. Making a debut into Roller Skating when he was just two-and-a-half-years-old, this youth is making rapid stride in Ice Skating. He is preparing for the Winter Olympics to be held in China in 2022.

Akash Aradhya, son of Nagabhushan Aradhya and Rekha Aradhya, residents of Chamundipuram in Mysuru, originally hails from Mayagowdanahalli village in K.R. Nagar taluk in Mysuru district. He has bagged Ekalavya Award in 2014.

After completing B.Com from D. Banumaiah's College in 2016, Akash went to Canada where he has been learning Ice Skating from Coach Jeffrey. He has participated in several competitions and won prizes. In the wake of COVID-19, he came back to Mysuru in March this year, and is working as Auditor at his father's office.

His father introduced him to Roller Skating at an early age of two-and-a-half years, and put him on training under the guidance of Sridhar Rao of Unnathi Nagar. Subsequently, he underwent another round of training from Srikanth Rao, brother of Sridhar Rao. After 20 years of rigorous training, he participated in district, State and national-level Roller Skating competitions and bagged several prizes.

Akash said he had a wish to participate in 2018 Winter Olympics but it didn't happen as his ranking was 42. It was mandatory to be within 36th ranking, that too after participating in four World Cup events. At one time, he wanted to stop pursuing ice skating. However, his parents prevailed upon him not to take such a decision and instilled confidence in him. Since then, he was practicing six hours daily. "I am confident of winning a medal in Winter Olympics to be held in China in 2022," he added.

Akash Aradhya

ROLLER SKATING	
2010	• 5th place in Asian Championship - Taiwan. • 5th in Asian Games - China.
2012	• 4th in three categories, fifth and sixth place in two categories in Asian Championship - China. • 24th in (World Ranking) in World Championship.
2013	• 35th (World Ranking) in World Championship - Belgium
2014	• 4th in two categories and fifth place in three categories in Asian Championship - China.
2016	• 1st in International-level Skating - Taiwan.
ICE SKATING	
2009	• 80th Rank in World Junior Championship - Taiwan.
2013	• 55th place in World Cup - Italy.
2015	• 50th in World Cup - Germany. • 44th in World Cup - Turkey.
2016	• 53rd in World Cup - Germany. • 32nd in Championship held in Canada.
2017	• 17th in Asian Winter Games - Japan. • 46th in World Cup in The Netherlands, China and South Korea.
2018	• 36th in World Championship - Canada. • 4th in 500-metre, 4th in 1000-metre and 6th in 1500-metre in Asian Championship - Indonesia.
2019	• 49th in World Cup - Germany. • 48th in World Cup - Italy • 50th in World Championship - Bulgaria.
2020	• 54th in World Cup - Germany. • 39th in World Cup - The Netherlands.

Most tourist places reopen in Kodagu but wanderlust yet to kick in

Dubare Elephant Camp to open from Sept. 15 with restrictions

Kushalnagar, Sept. 7 (Akshay &DM)- Many tourist destinations in Kodagu were thrown open on Sept. 1 after months of COVID-induced closure but the public response remained tepid. The District Administration is preparing to open all tourist spots from Sept. 15 and stakeholders are expecting a surge in the number of visitors.

Although most of the tourist spots in the lush green and hilly district of Kodagu, which were shut down due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic in March, reopened on Sept. 1 after the State Government announced new relaxations a day earlier, some of the tourist spots coming under the control of Forest Department have remained closed.

These tourist spots included Dubare Elephant Camp, Mallalli Falls in Somwarpet taluk, Irupu Falls in Virajpet taluk, trekking and expedition spots including Thadiyandamol and the famed Mandalpatti have not reopened as a precautionary and safety measure. These spots are most likely to open on Sept. 15.

Among the places that are popular is Dubare Elephant Camp where tourists can see and experience tamed elephants in close quarters and take a look at the life of an elephant and its mahout and kavadi in a day. Also, the place is famous for White Water River Rafting. The Forest Department, however, is now constructing barricades in the wake of COVID pandemic to separate elephant enclosures from the tourists.

Earlier at Dubare, one could touch and feed the elephants and this was a popular activity for almost all the tourists, especially children. But henceforth, this activity will not be allowed and there will be a six-foot distance between elephants and tourists.

A file photo of tourists feeding elephants at Dubare. Now due to COVID-19, visitors will not be allowed to venture near elephants.

Rafting at Dubare will not be permitted as of now.

Rafting at Dubare has not been permitted along with boating activities at Cauvery Nisargadhama in Kushalnagar as at present, the water currents are strong and it is dangerous to raft or pedal a boat. These activities are likely to be open from November, said Forest Department officials. At present, barricading works are being undertaken at Dubare.

The tourist spots which opened on Sept. 1 included Abbe Falls, Raja's Seat, Chikklihole Dam, Kanive Aqueduct and Cauvery Nisargadhama.

Nisargadhama, a beautiful 64-acre island near Kushalnagar on the Mysuru-Madikeri Highway, has been renovated and beautified by the Forest Department. The nature park, surrounded by River Cauvery, is an ideal weekend getaway for those who yearn to be amidst nature, far from the madding crowd.

However, visitors are not allowed to touch any animal at the Deer Park which has been completely fenced as a COVID-19 safety measure.

Nisargadhama recorded a footfall of 150 visitors on the first day of reopening on Sept.1 with all COVID-19 safety measures such as thermal screening, wearing of facemask and use of hand sanitisers. Besides, all sit outs and other seating spots are sanitised every day in accordance with the protocol.

Kushalnagar Range Deputy Range Forest Officer Vilas told *Star of Mysore* that they were expecting an increase in the number of tourists in the coming days. This apart, the tourist destination is likely to witness a good number of visitors on weekends and the Forest Department, which manages the tourist spot, is mulling on allowing visitors in batches if the crowd gets bigger. However, pedal boating is disallowed for now and the Department may allow its resumption only in November after getting permission from the Government, he added.

Raghavendra, Assistant Director of Tourism, Kodagu, said that all tourist spots, including the ones controlled by the Forest and Tourism Departments, will re-open from Sept. 15.

The Department has put all COVID-19 precautions in place at all tourist spots and centres, he said.

However, there will be no rafting for now at Dubare Elephant Camp and the visitors have to maintain a safe distance from the pachyderms, he added.

Visitors being thermal-screened before they enter Cauvery Nisargadhama at Kushalnagar.

Golden Temple at Bylakuppe to remain closed till Oct. 26

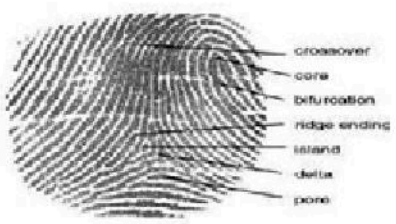
The famous Namdroling Monastery — commonly called the Golden Temple — located inside Tibetan Camp at Bylakuppe on Mysuru-Madikeri Highway will remain shut for visitors till Oct. 26.

The Temple, a popular tourist spot close to the border of Mysuru-Kodagu district near Kushalnagar, was closed for visitors following the nationwide COVID-19-induced lockdown in March.

The temple will remain closed till Oct. 26 as a precautionary measure and no outsiders will be allowed entry into the Temple, according to Lobon, General Secretary of Namdroling Monastery, who manages the Buddhist Temple.

WORD OF THE DAY

Minutia



Pronunciation: muh-NOO-shee-uh.
Meaning: A minute or minor detail — usually used in plural.
Origin: Minutia was borrowed into English in the 18th century from the Latin plural noun minutiae, meaning "trifles" or "details," and derived from the singular noun minutia, meaning "smallness." In English, minutia is most often used in the plural as either minutiae (pronounced \muh-NOO-shee-ee) or, on occasion, as simply minutia. The Latin minutia, incidentally, comes from minutus, an adjective meaning "small" that was created from the verb minuere, meaning "to lessen." A familiar descendant of minutus is minute.
Example: The book argues that it is easy to get bogged down in the minutiae of everyday life and fail to notice important opportunities.

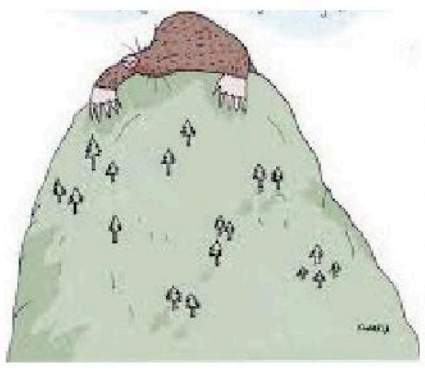
THE ODD WORD

Macrobian

Long-lived

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Making a mountain out of a molehill



Meaning: If a person is making a mountain out of a molehill, it means they are exaggerating. In other words, they are taking a minor issue and turning it into a bigger problem than it really is.
Origin: Moles are adorable. I wonder if the originator of this phrase liked them... hmm. Anyways, the origin of the saying "making a mountain out of a molehill" is unclear, but what is known is that it's over 350 years old. It is found as early as the year 1660 in a lexicon book by James Howell. This book contains many proverbs from different languages and there's a part from it that reads:
"Making mountains of molehill."
Of note, Wikipedia states that the saying was used in a book published in 1548 called "The first tome or volume of the Paraphrase of Erasmus vpon the newe testamente" translated in part by Nicholas Udall:
The Sophistes of Grece coulde through their copiousness make an Elephant of a flye, and a mountaine of a mollehill.

QUOTE BOX

The summit is what drives us, but the climb itself is what matters.

—Conrad Anker

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Once in a blue moon.

SUDOKU

	5		6					8
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		9					7	
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Answer to previous puzzle

4	5	1	2	8	9	7	6	3
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5	2	4	9	7	6	1	3	8
8	9	6	1	2	3	5	4	7
1	3	7	4	5	8	9	2	6
3	8	9	5	4	1	6	7	2
6	4	2	8	9	7	3	5	1
7	1	5	6	3	2	4	8	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Ind. Bankers Assoc.
4 Surmounting
8 Biblical land - "a mob" dispersed?
12 Household animal
13 Den
14 Modify the text
15 Vegetable with green flower heads
17 Hindu lawgiver
18 Actor Sal ___
19 Crust formed over wound in healing
21 Nationwide multiplex chain
23 Picks or chooses
27 TV channel
30 A river of Scotland
32 Melee
33 He is just _ ___ : he is a boy or a youngster? (1,3)
35 __ on : fielding position
37 "Seep" anagram for a famous German admiral
38 Violin's ancestor
40 Use a spade
42 Do needlework?
43 Routine, tradition or convention
45 A young swine
47 Wings or winglike parts
49 Main artery leaving the heart
53 Thin Indian bread, should we say
56 Be conspicuous (5,3)
58 British nobleman
59 Scare away
60 Yoko ___ : wife of John Lennon, the Beatle?
61 Snow runners
62 Attitude-Heading Ref. Sys.
63 Thirteenth letter of Hebrew alphabet

FRIDAY'S ANSWER

R	A	F	I	■	C	O	S	T	■	E	C	O
O	G	A	M	■	I	R	K	S	■	M	C	C
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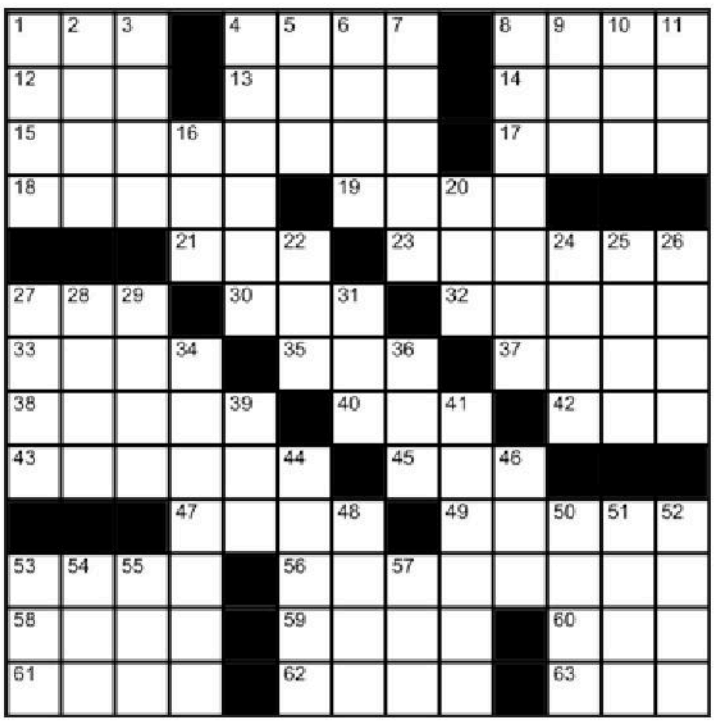
Z	O	O	■	E	D	I	T	■	S	E	E	K

DOWN

1 Weapon in a silo, for short
2 Ex-Paki wicket-keeper Wasim ___
3 Like _ ___ of bricks : rather heavily? (1,3)
4 Niche in wall
5 Chinese code of behaviour
6 Greases or lubricates
7 The cost of anything
8 Those who belong
9 Harem room
10 The Scottish for 'own'
11 Quantity of heat in FPS unit
16 Brown-capped boletus mushroom - "EPC" anagram?
20 Priestly garment
22 Regional Sales Manager, abbr.
24 Excels or outdoes ?
25 Small and sweet
26 Killed
27 Undercover cop, in short
28 The French for 'blue'
29 Four-wheelers for hire?
31 Young goat
34 Lists, itemises or describes?
36 Immerse in water
39 Superior of a maj.
41 Behemoths
44 F1's Felipe ____
46 Deity - the Almighty
48 Make a design on metal, using acid
50 Space available
51 Melody or harmony
52 Tiny particle
53 Legal thing
54 Sturdy tree
55 Three as a prefix
57 ___ Paar: 1954 Guru Dutt movie



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

EC XFF BSQ UGFUKBR CTEV PSKIS SGVXA HEKIQ KR

QHQT RQAB CETBS, BSQTQ KR AEAQ CTEV PSKIS

KB TQXISQR RE CXT XR CTEV BSQ JTXHQ.

TODAY'S CLUE: B EQUALS T

Friday's Cryptoquip: Time is a cruel thief to rob us of our former selves. We lose as much to life as we do to death.

IPL 2020 schedule announced

Mumbai Indians to take on Chennai Super Kings in Sept. 19 Opener

New Delhi, Sept. 7- The much-awaited Indian Premier League (IPL) 2020 schedule was announced by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on Sunday.

Mumbai Indians (MI), the defending champions led by Rohit Sharma, will take on the M.S. Dhoni-led Chennai Super Kings (CSK) in the opening match in Abu Dhabi on Sept. 19. The action will shift to Dubai for the second game where Delhi Capitals (DC) will face Kings XI Punjab (KXIP) on Sept. 20. Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) and Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) will also compete in Dubai on Sept. 21 while Rajasthan Royals (RR) will host the three-time IPL champions CSK in Sharjah on Sept. 22.

The evening matches, which will be played in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), will start at 7.30 pm (IST). There will be 10 double-headers, and the afternoon matches will begin at 3.30 pm (IST).

Dubai will host 24 games, 20 matches will be played in Abu Dhabi while the remaining 12 matches are scheduled to be played in Sharjah.

Venues for the playoff and the final are yet to be announced, according to the BCCI release.

The 13th edition of the IPL is being held in the UAE due to the rising number of Coronavirus cases in India. The cash-rich league was originally scheduled to begin on Mar. 29, but was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

With the T20 World Cup, originally planned to be held in November, postponed to 2022 due to the global virus crisis, the BCCI decided to shift the IPL to the September-November venue.

COVID-19 Testing

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has put in place stringent health and safety protocols for the Dream11 Indian Premier League 2020 Season, which is scheduled to start from September 19th in the UAE.

Accordingly, upon landing in the UAE, all the participants have followed a mandatory testing and quarantine programme. Total of 1,988 RT-PCR COVID tests were carried out between August 20th-28th across all participant groups in the UAE. These groups include Players, Support Staff, Team Management, BCCI Staff, IPL Operational team, Hotel and ground transport Staff.

Thirteen personnel have tested positive of which 2 are players. All the affected personnel as well as their close contacts are asymptomatic and have been isolated from other team members. They are being monitored by the IPL Medical Team.

As per the IPL 2020 Health and Safety Protocols, testing on all participants will be conducted regularly throughout the IPL 2020 Season, the BCCI had said in an official release.

MATCH	DATE	TEAMS	TIME (IST)	VENUE
1	Sept. 19	**MI** vs **CSK**	7.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
2	Sept. 20	**DC** vs **KXIP**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
3	Sept. 21	**SRH** vs **RCB**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
4	Sept. 22	**RR** vs **CSK**	7.30 PM	Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah
5	Sept. 23	**KKR** vs **MI**	7.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
6	Sept. 24	**KXIP** vs **RCB**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
7	Sept. 25	**CSK** vs **DC**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
8	Sept. 26	**KKR** vs **SRH**	7.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
9	Sept. 27	**RR** vs **KXIP**	7.30 PM	Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah
10	Sept. 28	**RCB** vs **MI**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
11	Sept. 29	**DC** vs **SRH**	7:30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
12	Sept. 30	**RR** vs **KKR**	7:30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
13	Oct. 1	**KXIP** vs **MI**	7:30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
14	Oct. 2	**CSK** vs **SRH**	7:30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
15	Oct. 3	**RCB** vs **RR**	3:30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
16	Oct. 3	**DC** vs **KKR**	7.30 PM	Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah
17	Oct. 4	**MI** vs **SRH**	3.30 PM	Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah
18	Oct. 4	**KXIP** vs **CSK**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
19	Oct. 5	**RCB** vs **DC**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
20	Oct. 6	**MI** vs **RR**	7.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
21	Oct. 7	**KKR** vs **CSK**	7.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
22	Oct. 8	**SRH** vs **KXIP**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
23	Oct. 9	**RR** vs **DC**	7.30 PM	Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah
24	Oct. 10	**KXIP** vs **KKR**	3.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
25	Oct. 10	**CSK** vs **RCB**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
26	Oct. 11	**SRH** vs **RR**	3.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
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29	Oct. 13	**SRH** vs **CSK**	7.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
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32	Oct. 16	**MI** vs **KKR**	7.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
33	Oct. 17	**RR** vs **RCB**	3.30 PM	Dubai International Cricket Stadium, Dubai
34	Oct. 17	**DC** vs **CSK**	7.30 PM	Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah
35	Oct. 18	**SRH** vs **KKR**	3.30 PM	Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi
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